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Docket No. A2012-50

**UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE NOTICE
OF FILING ERRATUM TO COMMENTS IN DOCKET No. A2012-50**

The United States Postal Service filed its Comments in this docket shortly before the Docket Section's close. That pleading contains two flaws, one of which is corrected by this Notice and the other of which is merely explained. The first page is dated January 11, 2012, when it should instead be dated January 19, 2012. A corrected first page is accordingly attached. The second error consists of a pagination problem: the pagination goes directly from page seventeen to page nineteen. However, no content is affected; notice is hereby provided that the absence of a page eighteen implying the absence of intended content would be incorrect. The pleading is complete as to content in the form in which it was first filed.

Respectfully submitted,

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COMMENTS OF UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE

(January 19, 2012)

This proceeding involves an appeal to the Commission under 39 U.S.C §404(d) by customers of the Pace Post Office who seek a remand of the Postal Service *Final Determination To Close The Pace, MS Post Office And Establish Service by Rural Route Service* (FD).¹ Thirteen documents from customers of the Pace Post Office were filed reflecting opposition to the FD and customers' appeal of it to the Commission.² While Order No. 979 (November 18, 2011) noticed this appeal and set the procedural schedule, the procedural schedule in

¹ The name of the Post Office subject to this appeal is the Pace Post Office. The Postal Service itself commonly capitalizes the term "Post Office, as a trademark called for by *Brand and Policy – Directives and Forms Style Guide*, Chapter 2 (*Postal Service Terms and General Words and Phrases*; Table 23, *General Words and Phrases*). While the Commission has typically chosen not to use this convention for acknowledging Postal Service intellectual property rights, it is not alone in that practice; nor is adherence by postal officials perfect. However, the Commission has also chosen not to capitalize "Post Office" when that term is used to denote a specific location or building, as in "Pace Post Office". Use without capitalization of "Pace post office" is incorrect by any measure as would also be true for "White house" or the "Washington monument." The Commission's choice not to capitalize "Post Office" also contrasts with what it publishes under *Trademark Notice* in the Mail Classification Schedule. This pleading capitalizes "Post Office" in all contexts, thereby acknowledging both the name of a specific place or location and the trademark underlying that term.

² These include (cover dates in parentheses): Town of Pace (October 25, 2011); Curtissia W. Allen, Town Clerk (October 18, 2011); Clotee W. Washington (October 14, 2011); Vietta A. Leflore (October 14, 2011); Christopher T. Hall (October 17, 2011); Mrs. Linda W. Hall (October 17, 2011); Charles Walker (October 17, 2011); Robert LeFlore, Jr. (October 17, 2011); Arie Roland (October 19, 2011) Robert LeFlore, Sr. (October 17, 2011); Mr. Marie Washington (October 19, 2011); Ruthie Williams Hall (undated, but with PAGR stamp November 11, 2011); and a Petition bearing approximately 200 signatures (bearing a PAGR stamp of November 7, 2011). All of these documents best resemble petitions rather than briefs or Forms 61.